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SETTING UP OF NEW POST OFFICES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has not opened any new Post Offices since 2006-07, so far in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, State-wise;

(c) the criteria/norms for setting up of new post offices in the country;

(d) whether the Government has any plan to increase the Post Offices especially in rural areas in the country; and

(e) if so, the details of the target fixed for the year 2007-08 in the country, State-wise and location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) Since the year 2006-07, 10 new Departmental Sub Post Offices were opened in different Circles. State/Circle-wise details are given below:

Name of Circle	Sub Post Offices opened
1. Assam	1
2. Bihar	1
3. Haryana	1
4. Himachal Pradesh	1
5. J&K	1
6. Madhya Pradesh	2
7 North-East	1
8. Uttrakhand	2
Total:	10

(c) Criteria/norms for opening of new Post Offices are given in the Annexure-I.

(d) & (e) Yes, Sir. State/Circle-wise tentative targets (subject to final approval by the competent authority) fixed for opening of Post Offices in rural areas during the year 2007-08 are given in the Annexure-II.